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St. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION.

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Annual Report for the year 1939 of the Provincial Branch
in the Hyderabad British Administered Areas.

This is the nineteenth report since a Provincial Branch was constituted in this area.

The following is a list of Officers:-

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(from 29.3.'39)

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MEETINGS HELD DURING THE YEAR.

The Annual General Meeting was held on the 1st August 1939 in Bolarum Residency. The Hon'ble the Resident presided. This meeting was followed by the Provincial Council meeting on the same date.

The Provincial Executive Committee held two meetings at the King Edward Memorial Hospital, Secunderabad, to transact business.

The Local Association under its energetic Secretary has continued to be active during the year and as an instructional body has met with continued success.

The following were the activities during the year :—

- (1) Formation of classes and training of candidates in First aid, Home Nursing, Domestic Hygiene, Mothercraft, Sanitation and Hygiene and Mackenzie School Course for Juniors.
- (2) Examination of the trained candidates for proficiency to obtain certificates.
- (3) Organisation and conduct of competition in First aid for the annual challenge shields.
- (4) Formation of Ambulance and Nursing Divisions.

Thirty one classes were held for 505 candidates of whom 286 were successful against 217 in 1938—a satisfactory increase.

THE ANNUAL CHALLENGE SHIELD COMPETITION.

This was held on the 8th December 1939. Eight teams competed for the senior shield and eleven for the junior shield.

The results of the competition were :—

Senior Shield.

Secunderabad District Jail "A" team	... Winners.
Secunderabad District Police "B" team	... Runners-up.

Junior Shield.

Hindu Boys' Hostel Scouts "A" team	... Winners.
Wesley High School "A" team	... Runners-up.

The Hon'ble Mr. C. H. Gidney, C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S., the Resident at Hyderabad, presented the trophies, medals and certificates and expressed great satisfaction at the work done by the Local Association under the guidance of Dr. Paul T. J. Doss, the Local Secretary.

AMBULANCE AND NURSING DIVISIONS.

Stimulated by the visit and interest shown by the Acting Lady Superintendent-in-Chief, St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas—the Hon'ble Mrs. Copland-Griffiths—in February 1939, two Ambulance and one Nursing Division were organised. Two more Ambulance and one Nursing Division will be registered in the near future.

On 16th February 1939, the Hon'ble Mrs. Copland-Griffiths accompanied by her Staff Officer Miss Mavrojani witnessed the St. John Ambulance Competition which consisted of practical application of splints and tourniquets and the lifting of a loaded stretcher over a hurdle and thereafter placing it in the motor ambulance provided.

Competition was very keen between eight teams entered and the Secunderabad District Police 'B' team won scoring 400 marks out of 500 marks.

Mrs. Copland-Griffiths inspected eleven Ambulance and five Nursing Divisions which were in process of formation and presented the Inauguration Cup for Ambulance Division to the Secunderabad District Police 'B' team and the inauguration cup for the Nursing Division to the Indian Red Cross Society Nursing Division. She also presented Higher awards viz :—

Lables to two successful candidates and Medallions to seven successful candidates.

MEMBERSHIP.

As a result of the appeal made by the Hon'ble the Resident at the Annual General Meeting held at the Bolarum Residency on 1-8-1939 a campaign to increase the membership was launched by the Association which now has on its rolls 2 Honorary Councillors, 16 Life members, 70 Annual members and 11 Associates. In all 99 members against 67 in 1938 *vide* annexure at the end of this report.

Khan Sahib Dr. Mohamed Ali who was an Honorary Life member died during the year.

FINANCE.

The year opened with a credit balance of Rs. 198/11/9, and the balance in hand on 31st December 1939 was Rs. 239/3/1 *vide* audited Statement of accounts attached.

The detailed report received from the Honorary Secretary of the Local Branch is also appended.

JOHN C. PYPER,

Lieut-Col. I.M.S.,

Honorary Secretary,

Provincial Executive Committee,

St. John Ambulance Association.

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ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION,
PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, HYDERABAD BRITISH ADMINISTERED AREAS,
ACTUAL RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1939 (JANUARY TO DECEMBER 1939).

RECEIPTS.	Amount.	PAYMENTS.	Amount.
B. G.		B. G.	
Rs. A. & P.		Rs. A. & P.	
198 11 9 By Share of subscription sent to Headquarters		17 13 3	
" Subscriptions 586 4 0 " Annual renewal premium on the Challenge Shield ...		17 0 0	
" Printing charges ...		4 13 0	
" Expenses incurred in connection with the practical training to the Ladies of the Voluntary Aid Reserve	
" Display expenses H. S. Rs. 118-9-4 - 101-35-5 } ...		30 0 0	
and B. G. Rs. 57-14-0 }		159 11 5	
" Miscellaneous expenditure ...		0 8 0	
" Challenge Shield Competition ...		272 0 0	
		Closing balance ...	555 12 8
Total ...	784 15 9	Total ...	*289 1 1
			784 15 9

There is now a sum of Rs. 3,534-9-0 in the Post Office Savings Bank account which is earmarked for disaster relief. During the previous two years 1937 and 1938 the expenses of Challenge Shield competition were paid out of this account.

Audited and found correct.

P. B. SIMON,

Local Auditor,

St. John Ambulance Association Accounts,

Secunderabad.

JOHN C. PYPER, Lieutenant-Colonel, I.M.S.,
Honorary Secretary,
St. John Ambulance Association,
Provincial Executive Committee,
Hyderabad British Administered Areas.

Report of the Honorary Secretary,
Local Committee
St. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION,
Secunderabad,
For the year 1939.

The undermentioned members formed the committee :-

Major A. T. Watson, I.A.	till April	President.
Major C. A. Chapman, I.A.	from May	
Mrs. N. B. Cheney		
Mrs. Pyper		(from November)
Mrs. L. Sackett		
Mrs. E. I. Scraffon		
Mrs. J. R. Sarkies		(till September)
Khan Bahadur Nawab Rahim-Yar-Jung	Bahadur, M.B.E.	
	B.A., B.L.	
Major T. D. Ahmad, I.M.S.		
Mr. A. G. Marjoribanks, I.P.		
Rai Bahadur Seth Srikrishna Sukdev Malani		
Raja Dhunrajgirji Bahadur		
Mr. V. G. Panwalker, B.E., A.M.I.E.		
Mr. A. J. Veeraswami, M.B.E.		
Dr. Paul T. J. Doss,	Honorary Secretary.	

LOCAL CENTRE AS AN INSTRUCTIONAL BODY.

The Local Centre has continued to function with progressive success particularly during the last five years as an Instructional body. The subjects dealt with are First Aid; Home Nursing; Domestic Hygiene and Mothercraft; Sanitation and Hygiene and a Mackenzie School Course for Juniors. The activities of the Association were to make suitable arrangements for (1) formation of classes and training of candidates, (2) examination of the trained candidates for proficiency to obtain certificates of the St. John Ambulance Association of the Indian Council, (3) the organisation and conduct of the Annual Challenge Shields Competition in First Aid and (4) formation of Ambulance and Nursing Divisions.

During the year 505 candidates attended thirty-six classes. Of these eight were conducted by the Railway and three by the Military Authorities, the others being in the Secunderabad civil area.

The Local Association arranged for the examination of all these candidates of whom 286 were successful against 217 last year. The total number of certificates obtained for the local candidates since the first examination in 1917 is 2,024—an annual average of 92. The increased number of certificates for this year over the annual average reflects the increased interest taken by the different public and private institutions.

Three years ago formation of classes for ladies was most discouraging. It was not possible to arrange for more than one or two small classes in some Girls' schools and welfare centres. Since then there has been an awakening and a satisfactory position is now recorded—the figures being 33 certificates in 1937, 35 in 1938 and 69 in 1939. There is every indication that this progress will continue to be maintained.

THE ANNUAL CHALLENGE SHIELDS COMPETITION.

The Annual Challenge Shields competition was held on 8th December 1939. This was the seventh competition for the seniors and the third for juniors. Eight teams for the senior shield and eleven for the junior shield competed. Among the seniors the District Police, the District Jail, the Railway Police, the Cantonment Health Department and Government school teachers were the entrants. Among the Juniors, six educational institutions were represented—Bolarum Government High School, Mahboob College, Hindu Boys' Hostel, St. Patricks High School, Wesley High School and Islamiyah High School.

The Senior shield was presented by the late Dewan Bahadur Sett Latchminarayyan Ramgopal in 1926. The Junior shield presented by Major A. E. Campbell, R.A.M.C., in 1937 for the "encouragement and furtherance of First Aid training in Secunderabad". In 1938 Mr. B. K. R. Iyengar, B.A., LL.B., presented "The General Nicholson Cup" to commemorate the services of General Nicholson to the Association. This cup was awarded to the runners-up in the senior competition, but if any senior team wins the Challenge Shield for three consecutive years commencing from 1938 it will be awarded to them for permanent retention. The same gentleman has also presented a trophy known as "The Colonel MacGregor Shield" for Juniors under similar conditions. Silver and bronze medals were awarded by the Association to the individual members of the winners and runners-up.

The results of the competition were:—

Senior:—

Secunderabad District Jail "A" team...Winners
Secunderabad District Police "B" team...Runners-up

Junior:—

Hindu Boys Hostel Scouts "A" team...Winners
Wesley High School "A" team...Runners-up

It is hoped to have a competition for ladies in 1940 on similar lines as held for men.

The interest taken by the public was proved by the large gathering which was present to witness the various events. In previous years it was customary for either a prominent

citizen or for a Committee of Hosts to be At Home to those present. On account of the out-break of war this practice was discontinued and in spite of this it is gratifying to record that a larger and a more representative section of the population attended the function.

The Hon'ble Mr. C. H. Gidney, C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S., the Resident at Hyderabad, presented the trophies, medals and certificates and expressed great satisfaction at the work done by the Local Association.

Among those present were Major General L. M. Heath, C.B., C.I.E., D.S.O., M.C.I.A., District Commander and Major E. W. Slaughter, M.B.E., General Manager, N. S. Railway.

It is hoped that the high standard of the organisation, the conduct of the events and the keenness of the competitors would be maintained in subsequent years.

The occasion was taken advantage of to inform the public of what was being done by the Association and also by the Red Cross Society.

AMBULANCE AND NURSING DIVISIONS.

Another stage in the progress of the work of the Association was the formation of Ambulance and Nursing Divisions for the first time in Secunderabad, as result of the visit of the Ag: Lady Superintendent-in-Chief, St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas—the Hon'ble Mrs. Copland-Griffiths—in February. Two Ambulance and one Nursing Divisions have already been registered. Registration of two Ambulance and one Nursing Divisions were under correspondence at the end of the year. It is hoped that by the end of 1940 there would be six Ambulance and three Nursing Divisions. This is considered a satisfactory achievement in a short period of less than two years. The distribution of these Divisions would be:—

Secunderabad Civil area ...	4	Ambulance and 1
		Nursing Divisions.

Military area	1	Nursing Division
Railway	2	Ambulance and 1
				Nursing Divisions.

Individuals and teams have been trained to serve in times of emergency which may be only a simple accident at home or a national disaster such as floods, earthquakes and war. So far probably no occasion has arisen in Secunderabad for the trained men and women to show their usefulness in the latter category but we are in a position to record that such organisations exist to serve in emergencies when called upon to do so.

On the same day of the Ambulance Shields competition a Review was held by the Hon'ble Mr. C. H. Gidney, C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S., the Resident at Hyderabad of the Registered Divisions and those Divisions who have proposed to register in the near future.

Although writing this report in January 1940, it is considered that it may not be out of place to record the visit of Sir Ernest Burdon, K.C.I.E., C.S.I., I.C.S., Chief Commissioner for the Empire of India, St John Ambulance Brigade Overseas and Captain M. Hafizuddin, L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., Staff Officer for training, St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas.

Much valuable advice was obtained from them by the Divisional Superintendents.

Captain Hafizuddin inspected the three registered Divisions and expressed great satisfaction.

MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN.

A combined membership campaign for the Red Cross Society and St. John Ambulance Association was launched as a result of the Annual General Meeting of both the bodies held at the Bolarum Residency on 1st August 1939. The Local Committee formed a sub-committee with co-opted members and achieved remarkable success.

INDIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY.

	1938.		1939.	
	Members.	Amount.	Members.	Amount.
Vice Patrons ...	3		3	
Life Members ...	4		8	
Life Associates..	6	Rs. 86/-	13	Rs. 2252/4
Annual Members	4		83	
Associates ...	10		131	

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION.

Honorary Councillors. 2	2	
Life Members ... 14	16	
Annual Members ... 13	70	Rs. 586/4
Annual Associates... 34	11	

Details are :—

Mrs. Smith	...	Rs.	1,114/-
Mrs. N. B. Chenoys	...	"	664/-
Mrs. Pyper	...	"	199/-
Dr. Paul T. J. Doss	...	"	182/-
Mrs. L. Sackett	...	"	148/-
Mr. A. J. Veeraswami, M.B.E.	...	"	112/-
Mr. V. G. Panwalker	...	"	68/-
Military	...	"	287/8
Provincial Executive Committee	...	"	64/-

CONCLUSION:

In concluding this report we are thankful to :—

- 1 the Hon'ble the Resident for his continued and active interest and support in the work of the Association,
- 2 the many medical practitioners who have spared their valuable time and services to the training of candidates and in examining them,
- 3 the Military and Civilian Officers who helped to render the competition a success,
- 4 the Cantonment Authority for permitting to use the cricket pavilion and the grounds,
- and 5 the members of the competition committee.

Their names are included in the appendices.

PAUL T. J. DOSS,
M.B.Ch.B., D.T.M. & H., D.P.H. (Lond.),
Honorary Secretary,
St. John Ambulance Association,
Secunderabad Centre.

checked and found correct.

Auditor.
Mr. John Ambaline Association Accounts,
Secunderabad.

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